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Emily Dickinson



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There is no frigate like a book (1263)

by Emily Dickinson

There is no Frigate like a Book
To take us Lands away,
Nor any Couriers like a Page
Of prancing Poetry –
This Traverse may the poorest take
Without oppress of Toll –
How frugal is the Chariot
That bears a Human soul.

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